

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 2852

Application No.: 10/607,171

Examiner:

Q. GRAINGER

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116374

For:

MAGNETIC CORE AND MAGNETIC FIELD SHIELD MEMBER, AND

EXCITATION COIL, TRANSFORMER, ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT, AND

ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUSES USING THE MAGNETIC CORE AND

THE MAGNETIC FIELD SHIELD MEMBER

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the February 10, 2005, Office Action, the period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-22 are pending.

It is gratefully appreciated that the Office Action indicates that claims 5, 7, 16 and 18 contain allowable subject matter. However, for the reasons discussed below, it is respectfully submitted that all claims are allowable.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-4, 6, 8, 12-15, 17 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,668,151 ("the Uehara Patent"); and claims 9-11 and 20-22 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over the Uehara Patent in view of JP 2002-72722A ("Sakagami"). The rejections are respectfully traversed.